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Applicant: Xiao Chen Serial No.: 09/667,077

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Atty. No : 99-463

Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING A SIMULATON OF

A WELDING PROCESS USING INTEGRATED MODELS

Art Unit : 2121

Examiner: Crystal J. Barnes

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Commissioner of Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action plated, May 3, 2004, please amend the application as follows. Amended paragraphs and a version of all pending claims and their current status are presented having necessary markings to show any changes made in compliance with 37 CER. §1.121.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page

Remarks Arguments - begin on page 5 of this paper.

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